

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:19-cv-02751-RC**

DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION v. NATIONAL  
OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION  
Assigned to: Judge Rudolph Contreras  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 09/16/2019  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

**Plaintiff**

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FOUNDATION**

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**Defendant**

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
09/16/2019	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-6378961) filed by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons, # <u>3</u> Summons, # <u>4</u> Summons, # <u>5</u> Exhibit, # <u>6</u> Exhibit, # <u>7</u> Exhibit)(Guzman, Javier) (Entered: 09/16/2019)
09/16/2019	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION (Guzman, Javier) (Entered: 09/16/2019)
09/16/2019		Case Assigned to Judge Rudolph Contreras. (zeg) (Entered: 09/16/2019)

09/16/2019	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zeg) (Entered: 09/16/2019)
09/18/2019	<u>4</u>	MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice :Attorney Name– Michael C. Martinez, :Firm– Democracy Forward Foundation, :Address– 1333 H Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005. Phone No. – (202) 701–1788. Filing fee \$ 100, receipt number 0090–6384329. Fee Status: Fee Paid. by DEMOCRACY FORWARD FOUNDATION (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration, # <u>2</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Guzman, Javier) (Entered: 09/18/2019)
09/19/2019	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 9/19/2019. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 10/19/2019.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 9/19/2019., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION served on 9/19/2019 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration)(Guzman, Javier) (Entered: 09/19/2019)
09/19/2019		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>4</u> Motion for Leave to Appear <i>Pro Hac Vice</i> : Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 83.2(d), it is hereby ORDERED that Michael C. Martinez is admitted to represent Plaintiff <i>pro hac vice</i> in this case. The Court notes that Mr. Martinez maintains an office within the District of Columbia and that his admission to the District of Columbia Bar is pending. In light of Local Civil Rule 83.2(c)(2), Mr. Martinez is instructed to apply for admission to the Bar of this Court as soon as his admission to the District of Columbia Bar is complete. The Court also notes that the motion did not include the meet–and–confer statement required under the Local Rules for all non–dispositive motions. <i>See</i> D.D.C. Civ. R. 7(m). The parties are reminded for future reference that all motions must comply with the Local Rules. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 09/19/2019. (lcrc1) (Entered: 09/19/2019)
10/18/2019	<u>6</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION.(Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 10/18/2019)
10/18/2019		MINUTE ORDER: It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall meet, confer, and submit a proposed briefing schedule on or before November 1, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 10/18/2019. (lcrc1) (Entered: 10/18/2019)
11/01/2019	<u>7</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 11/01/2019)
11/01/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>7</u> the parties' Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before December 3, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 11/01/2019. (lcrc1) (Entered: 11/01/2019)
12/02/2019	<u>8</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION. (Simon, Jeremy) (Entered: 12/02/2019)
12/02/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>8</u> the parties' Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file another joint status report on or before January 15, 2020. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 12/2/2019. (lcrc1) (Entered: 12/02/2019)